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NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the State Government had launched Hon'ble Chief Minister's Merit Scholarship Scheme (HCMMS) in the year 2010 with a view to provide best educational opportunities available in the country to meritorious students hailing from economically weaker backgrounds;

AND WHEREAS, the said scheme shall be completing its seventh year of operation with the first batch of children passing out of Class XII in the month of March-April, 2017;

NOW, therefore with a view to provide them consistent government support to enable them to continue with their higher studies without any hindrance, the State Government is hereby pleased to announce extension of the said scheme till graduation level and also prescribe the following guidelines for the grant of scholarship to the students, namely :-

1. A separate provision for allocation of grant of Scholarship to the students under this scheme has been made and the expenditure to be incurred by the students during admission will be provided in the form of advance payment subject to adjustment within the same financial year. This arrangement is necessitated due to the fact that the parents may not be able to bear the financial burden on their own.
2. The students shall secure admission in various Government Colleges and Institutions on their own or through State Government quota based on the prevailing competitive exams for professional or other courses of their choice. Once the admission is secured they shall apply to the Department for the financial support.
3. The scheme shall cover fees namely, tuition, examination, hostel, mess and all mandatory fees for the course period at the rate prevalent in that College/Institution, where admission has been secured, at that point of time.
4. The scholarship amount shall be credited to their bank account seeded with Aadhar number as soon as confirmation of admission is produced or they are allotted government quota seats to enable them to clear their dues annually till the end of the course.
5. Further, travel expenses in AC III tier for to & fro journey from Gangtok to the place of study twice a year will also be provided on submission of bills for actual expenditure (without escort).

By order and in the name of the Governor.

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